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Mr. Harrison E. Salisbury
The New York Times
New York 10036

Dear Mr. Salisbury,

I was not really surprised that your reply to my letter of 22 November 1971 consisted of a printed notice "Thank you for submitting the enclosed manuscript. We regret that we are unable to make use of it...".

I had not, of course, submitted any manuscript. I had sent you documented material, on 27 September and again on 22 November 1971, demonstrating irrefutably the deliberate misrepresentation by the Warren Commission of evidence elicited by its investigators and lawyers concerning the whereabouts of Lee Harvey Oswald during the hour preceding the shots, which evidence clearly implicated David W. Belin in serious impropriety and misfeasance.

In the interval, you accepted and published on the Op-Ed page a self-serving and cynical apologia for the Warren Report by the same Mr. Belin, grandly disregarding the factual evidence which thoroughly compromises the Report as well as Belin himself.

You have not questioned, much less challenged, the documentary evidence I made available to you twice in two months. Instead, you provided a forum for Belin to influence your readers, without even cautioning them that serious charges had been published elsewhere on his conduct as an assistant counsel for the Warren Commission.

Your 1964 paean to the Warren Report may have been merely gullible and unprofessional; but your 1971 propaganda on behalf of a discredited Government paper puts you in the same league with Herr Goebbels. But he, at least, did not wrap himself in sanctimony or pretend to seek truth or serve justice.

Yours very truly,

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